

Fact Sheet

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Labor Review Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted

- Kansas gained 17,300 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs since March 2013, a 1.3 percent increase. The state added 17,200 seasonally adjusted private sector jobs over the year, a 1.6 percent gain.
- Since February 2014, the state gained 2,500 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs, a 0.2 percent increase. Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs rose by 2,200 since last month, or 0.2 percent.

Learn about the difference between seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted numbers [here](#).

Not Seasonally Adjusted

- Kansas gained 16,800 nonfarm jobs over the year, a 1.2 percent increase. Kansas gained 15,200 private sector jobs since March 2013, a 1.4 percent increase.
- Over the month, Kansas added 10,100 nonfarm jobs, a 0.7 percent increase. Kansas added 8,100 private sector jobs since February 2014, a 0.7 percent increase.

Unemployment Rates

- The March 2014 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Kansas remained unchanged at 4.9 percent, but down from 5.5 percent one year ago.
- Over the month, the unemployment rate in Kansas was 5.1 percent, down from 5.5 percent in February 2014 and down from 5.8 percent one year ago.
- There were 9,669 initial claims for unemployment benefits in March 2014, down from 11,121 initial claims in February 2014 and down from 15,067 last year. There were 108,777 continued claims in March 2014, up from 100,071 the previous month and down from 128,239 in March 2013. These numbers include all available programs.

Industry Data

- Nine of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the year job gains. These gains were greatest in:
 - Professional and business services which increased by 6,400 jobs, a 4.1 percent gain. Growth was mainly in administrative and support services and waste management and remediation services.
 - Construction gained 4,200 jobs partly due to seasonal changes, an 8.1 percent increase. The gains were primarily in specialty trade contractors.

- Trade, transportation and utilities increased by 3,000 jobs, a 1.2 percent increase, with growth primarily from wholesale trade.
- Two of the 11 major industries reported statewide over the year job losses. These were in:
 - Leisure and hospitality decreased by 2,000 jobs, or 1.7 percent, with majority of the reductions in arts, entertainment and recreation.
 - Manufacturing declined by 2,000 jobs, or 1.2 percent. All of the loss was in durable goods.
- Nine of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the month job gains. The largest gains were in:
 - Construction which gained 3,500 jobs, a 6.6 percent increase, with gains seen throughout the sector.
 - Government added 2,000 jobs, or 0.8 percent, with gains seen throughout the sector.
 - Leisure and hospitality gained 1,700 jobs, or 1.5 percent, with additions shown throughout the sector.
- One of the 11 major industries reported a statewide over the month job loss. The loss was in:
 - Trade, transportation and utilities decreased by 700 jobs, a 0.3 percent decline. Declines were seen in wholesale and retail trade.

The April 2014 Labor Report will be released on May 15, 2014.

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